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1. HOUSE RESOLUTION. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION AND KOREAN REACTION DOMINATES FRONTPAGE. "HOUSE PRESSURE IS OPEN THREAT" CARRIED BY ALL PRESS, QUOTING "HIGH ROKG OFFICIAL". SAME OFFICIAL ADDS ROKG EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO EXAMINE ANY ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL, BUT ROKG MAXIMUM POSITION IS TELEPHONE/LETTER RESPONSE BY KIM DONG-JO. MOFA OFFICIAL SAYS NY TIMES SPECULATION KIM'S RESIGNATION/TESTIMONY IS "TOTALLY GROUNDLESS". PAPERS REPORT DOS EXPRESSED REGRET OVER HOUSE ACTION AND ROK EMBASSY WASHINGTON TERMED DEMAND UNACCEPTABLE. SEVERAL COMMENTARIES OPINED HOUSE ACTION RESULTS FROM RE-ELECTION CONCERNS OF INCUMBENTS AND FACE-SAVING GESTURE OF JAWORSKI. COMMENTARIES FEEL HOUSE ACTION WILL RESULT IN MORE DAMAGE TO US CONGRESS THAN KOREA, NOTING SMALL LEVEL OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AID INVOLVED AND NONBINDING NATURE OF RESOLUTION. TONGA ILBO CORRESPONDENT SAYS RESOLUTION "MAY NOT JEOPARDIZE SECURITY RELATIONSHIP BUT WILL BRING NO SMALL DAMAGE TO SUBSTANCE OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS". TONGA ILBO SAYS MOFA OFFICIALS, ALTHOUGH CAREFULLY AVOIDING DIRECT COMMENT, WERE "DISAPPOINTED/DISGUSTED" WITH HOUSE ACTION. SELECTED REACTIONS OF ASSEMBLYMEN: "SHAMEFUL" (MIN KI-SIK);

"DEVOID OF GOOD SENSE...TANTAMOUNT TO DEMANDING TESTIMONY
OF HEAD OF STATE" (YUN CHU-YONG); "FOOLISH" (PAK YONG-
NOK).

2. DOS GLEYSTEN. WIRE SERVICES REPORT CARTER 5/31
NOMINATION GLEYSTEN AS AMB TO ROK, SUBJECT TO SENATE
RATIFICATION.

3. KIT. HAPDONG WIRE EXCERPTS 5/31 ARMY TIMES ARTICLE
SAYING KOREA TO MASS PRODUCE 40 TON INDIGENOUS TANK
(COMPARABLE TO FRG LEOPARD) STARTING 1981.
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